

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-26 are in the case. No claim amendments are presented with this response.

I. THE INTERVIEW

At the outset, the undersigned wishes to thank the Examiner (Mr. Chang) for kindly agreeing to conducting an interview in this application. The interview was held on March 4, 2005, and the courtesies extended by the Examiner were most appreciated. The substance of the interview will be clear from the comments presented below.

II. ELECTION/RESTRICTION

On page 2 of the Action, the Examiner has asserted that the amendment to independent claim 1 to state "and wherein said conducted polymer includes at least some ketone moieties in the polymeric chain" directs the scope of the invention to non-elected species which contains a moiety II. This basis for rejection is believed to be erroneous.

As explained during the interview, moieties containing ketone groups are encompassed by the definition of moiety I, wherein the definition of Ar includes the moieties (i)* and (i) as depicted on page 4 of the amendment dated October 25, 2004. It was for this reason that claim 5 was indicated to read on the elected species.

During the interview, the Examiner conceded that moieties containing some ketone moieties are encompassed by moiety I. In light of this, it is believed that the objection raised in the outstanding Official Action should be withdrawn, and the

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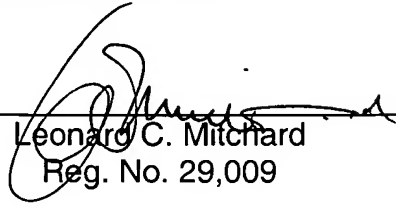
examination conducted based on the currently pending claims as set forth in the
response of October 25, 2004.

Further action on this application is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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